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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
Our Ref: 010986.52734US

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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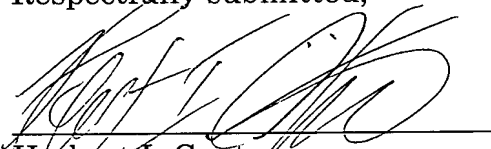
1. Specification, including 8 claims (pages 19).
2. 4 Sheets of Formal drawings showing Figs. 1-4.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Application Data Sheet
5. Assignment of the invention to Tokyo Electron Limited
6. Certified copy of Priority Document No. 2002-253673 filed in Japan on August 30, 2002, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
7. Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, w/ ²¹ ~~38~~ ^{AC} references.
8. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee				\$375/750 = \$750.00
Total Claims	<u>8</u>	- 20	= <u>0</u>	x \$9/18 = \$
Independent Claims	<u>1</u>	-	= <u>0</u>	x \$42/84 = \$
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				\$140/280 = \$
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Two checks in the amount of \$750.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the Assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #010986.52734US). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Herbert I. Cantor', is written over a horizontal line.

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